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PLURALITY

MARINES ARE LANDED

South of Panama, Where Troops

may possibly be owing to the reports that

Colombian troops have been seen in that

direction, but up to the present time there

is no reason to believe that any large force

is under orders to march on Panama from

Cauca. The opinion seems to prevail that

the few Colombian soldiers seen were prob-

ably scouts who were endeavoring to learn

what preventative and protective measures

were being taken by the Republic of Pan-

ama and that it was their presence which

gave rise to the exaggerated rumors of a

speedy attack by Colombia on the isthmus. It is more likely that the movement of marines to Yaviza is in conformity with the

policy of the naval authorities to concen-

trate forces at points which offer the best facilities for getting immediate informa-

tion of any movement by Colombian troops

toward Panama and at the same time of af-

fording the marines some relief from their

confinement to the ships. The marines car-

ried with them all requisites for camp life

If this report concerning the landing of

Colombian troops is confirmed it means the

fighting the natural conditions are ideal and

in which the Colombians are accomplished.

and Sleeps on Iron Bunk Next

to Tramp.

Edward B. Carroll, of Memphis, Tenn.

worth nearly a million dollars, was locked

behind the bars at the police station last

night on a charge of insanity, and he will

be held here until his relatives can be

Some time ago Carroll came to Indianap-

English Hotel by slashing at a negro por-

ter whom he believed had stolen his dia-

mond ring. The ring, it was learned later.

was on Carroll's finger at the time he ac-

cused the negro of stealing it. At that

time he was locked up and was sent later

to a private sanitarium in Louisville, where

Day before yesterday he slipped away from his guards and boarded a train for

Indianapolis. His escape was discovered

within an hour after he left Louisville, and

the English Hotel here was notified to de-

tain the demented man should he come to

Yesterday afternoon Carroll registered at

notified. Bicyclemen Simon and Morgan

placed him under arrest and forcibly took

on which there was neither mattress nor

blanket, alongside of a tramp who had

been arrested earlier in the day. The rela-

tives of the insane man were notified yes-

terday evening of the arrest, and will prob-

Fell Dead In Court.

when his name was called in court to-day.

He was called to testify as prosecuting witness in a bogus check case. There was a

this city and register at the hotel.

he has remained under restraint since.

and also a number of machine guns.

Are Said to Have Debarked.

GO OFF THE MACHINE THIS

### MR. BAILEY, OF TEXAS, AIRS HIS OPINION OF THE CUBAN BILL

He Poses as the Defender of the Constitution, Which He Says Is Violated on All Sides.

EXCHANGE OF REPARTEE

Bailey and Stewart and Bailey and Spooner in Brief but Spirited, Colloquial Tilts.

WIDE RANGE IN HOUSE

Pension Bill Discussion Made the Excuse for Talking of Tariff, Labor and Other Things.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.-The Senate spent the day on the Cuban bill, most of the time being occupied by Mr. Bailey, of Texas, in an elaborate argument against the constitutionality of the proceeding. He claimed that no treaty changing the revenue laws that was not first authorized by legislation originating in the House of Representatives was valid. Mr. Bailey also opposed the bill as a matter of general policy. Brief speeches were made by Senators Teller, Depew and Lodge. The latter asserted that Cuba had about the same immigration laws as those of the United States in regard to Chinese immigration.

When the Senate convened to-day Mr. Bailey spoke on the Cuban bill. He op- IN posed the measure, declaring it to be vicious both as a matter of law and of policy. laid down three propositions. The first was that the House of Representatives alone has the right to originate revenue bills, and neither the President nor the President and Senate joined possess the power to enact legislation affecting revenues. The second declares that the constitution of the Republic commits the treaty-making power to the President, and the Senate and the House of Representatives has no right to approve or disapprove the Cuban treaty. The third proposition asserted that neither the President and Senate alone nor the President and the Senate acting in conjunction with the House of Representatives has the right to originate such revenue easures, and that what is null and void in its beginning must be null and void

Stewart, Mr. Balley said that the President believed just as the Nevada senator did. "Then he is a good lawyer," responded Senator Stewart.

"I never heard that he was a lawyer at all," answered Mr. Bailey. "While I have heard that he has spent some days and nights at lighter literature, I am not ery of the law-and more's the pity for it.' He declared that the President, by the course followed in this treaty, had per-formed an insolent usurpation of the prerogatives of the House. The proceedings, he declared, amounted to moral and political coercion, and it is a matter of little wonder that the House did not substitute for the present measure the bill which It passed under independent action less than two years ago. Why did the House forego its independent judgment of less than two years ago? he asked. Why did it so mildly execute the President's will? It was because the House was under the stripes of the Executive lash. Mr. Bailey said that the first argument advanced in support of the bill was that it was a duty to the suffering Cubans, but driven from that the friends of the bill say that it is a great commercial stroke. "But," said Mr. Bailey, "I say those who will reap the benefits are the sugar and tobacco trusts and they have no right to it. I believe the Republican senators are honest in their support. In fact, I do not think there is any difference between the two sides of this chamber on questions of honesty. I believe the sole ifference is one of intelligence."

Senator Spooner observed: "You pay us a high compliment." In discussing the benefits of the bill Mr. Bailey said that every time the bill was about to pass sugar trust stock went up and whenever the bill was about to fail the stock that, owing to the condition of his throat, his time to the restoration of Harlem real he would not continue his speech until to-

the matter of Cuban laws relative to the immigration of Chinese and had been in- by the construction which he placed upon a formed by the Cuban minister that the island, had adopted the exclusion law of this country on that subject. At 4:10 o'clock the Senate went into ex- he wishes to correct a mistaken impression ecutive session and at 4:15 adjourned.

The House was in session for a little more than four hours to-day, during which varied topics. The pension appropriation They include many prominent families of bill was before the House but no conclusion | this city and persons scattered all over the on it was reached. The isthmian canal and the republic of Panama, the tariff, tobacco interests and questions affecting labor were | SOURBIER HELPS A MAN

The House to-day adopted a concurrent resolution providing for a recess adjournment from Dec. 19 to Jan. 4. The speaker, Wants to Get Married, but Appliby unanimous consent, appointed Delegate Kalauianoale, of Hawaii, as a member of

the committee on territories. A joint resolution was adopted providing that the last naval appropriation bill shall not be so construed as to deprive midshipmen at sea of commutation of rations. The House then went into committee of the whole with Mr. Lawrence (Mass.) in

the chair, for the further consideration of the pensions appropriation bill. Mr. Adams (Rep., Pa.) spoke on the Panama situation. Mr. Adams defended the course pursued by this government in connection with the canal question and the policy of the ad-American situation. He said Colombia had acted in a shameful manner in the canal pegotiations. Troops of the Colombian government, he said, were on the isthmus when Panama declared for freedom and

made no opposition to the act. Mr. Gaines (Dem., Tenn.), who was recognized for one hour, spoke on tobacco interests, asserting the need of legislation in behalf of the grower. The farmers of the tobacco States are crying out against the war taxes, which, he said, are imposed Mr. Beall (Dem., Texas), said that while the Democrats want a canal, they want it in an honorable way. He asserted that it was known to the representatives of the United States on the isthmus that the re-

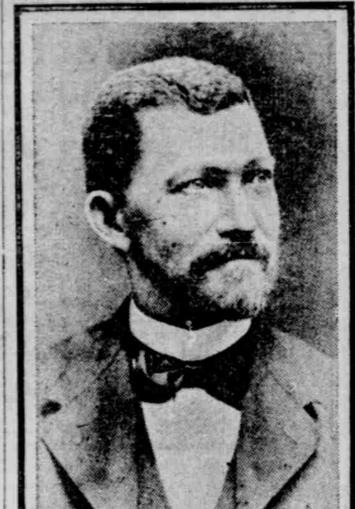
Mr. Adams, explaining the dispatch to Consul Ehrman sent by Secretary Hay and quoted by Mr. Beall, in which information was asked concerning a "reported uprising." said the secretary had sent the message in view of the information contained in a

volt was to occur, and it also was known

Lind (Dem., Minn.), speaking on the tariff, said that two of the greatest manufacturing nations of the earth had reached the highest points in their prosperity, one under a protective policy. Therefore the right could not be claimed for protection nor wrong for free trade. In his opinion there would be no free trade

Mr. Lind argued for freer trade relations with Canada, saying that we received raw material from them and sell them industrial

Mr. Baker (Dem., N. Y.), speaking on the subject of labor, contended that compensating wages are not paid. cited the testimony as to wages taken before the anthracite coal commission and said it showed "conditions of slavery." said the United States Steel Company sold



Who Has Disposed of Holdings in Capital Na-

# M. B. WILSON TO RETIRE FROM CAPITAL NATIONAL

Will Be Succeeded as President by William F. Churchman, Who Owns Controlling Interest.

OTHER ENTERPRISES

Capital National Bank early in January. He will be succeeded as president by William F. Churchman, who has been cashier of the Capital National about ten years This statement is made on authority which cannot be questioned.

Mr. Churchman has bought the controlling interest in the Capital National Bank from Mr. Wilson. It is understood that Wilson has recently transferred to Mr. Churchman nearly \$100,000 of his stock. The price Mr. Churchman paid for the stock, ft is understood, was 150.

Formal announcement of the retirement of Mr. Wilson and Mr. Churchman succeeding him as president of the Capital National will be made at the annual meeting of the directors, to be held Jan. 12. When seen yesterday Mr. Wilson said it is true that he will retire from the Capital National, but he said there are none of the details of his retirement and the other changes which can be given out at this time. Mr. Churchman said nothing definite had been done

Mr. Wilson may form a connection with the Indiana Manufacturing Company. He made this statement yesterday. His plans are not definitely formed at this time, however, he said, and he cannot tell positively now what business he will engage in when he retires from the Capital National.

FIGHT FOR BILLIONS IN GOTHAM PROPERTY

New York Christian Scientist Relinquishes It to Avoid Involving His Church in It.

NEW YORK, Dec. 14.-Henry Pennington Toler, leader in a movement to sue for the recovery of Harlem property claimed by descendants of early settlers, has given up his efforts in that direction so far as the founding of a new Jerusalem there is concerned, because, it is asserted, of the opposition of Mrs. Mary Baker Eddy, who does not want Christian Science affairs mixed in with the contest for the property.

Direction of the litigation has been turned over by Toler to a law firm which he has supplied with funds to prosecute the cases. Toler recently sold his seat on vent down. Mr. Bailey announced at 3:45 the Stock Exchange in order to devote all estate to its alleged rightful heirs.

Toler is said to have conceived the idea Mr. Lodge said he had been looking up that the new Jerusalem was to be located the matter of Cuban laws relative to the on the northern end of Manhattan island verse in the Bible to which his eyes were drawn by opening the book at random. He has published a statement explaining that

that Mrs. Eddy and the Christian Church were behind the movement. Property worth three billions of dollars is claimed under royal grants of land lying Harry B. Smith et al., asking that the lat-north of the present Seventy-fourth street. ter be prevented from taxing the capital There are said to be 17,000 heirs to the orig- stock and the undivided profits of the

BUY MARRIAGE LICENSE

cant Believes \$2.50 an Exorbitant Price.

Marriage License Clerk Ed Sourbier ran up against a "short one" yesterday in the person of a man who wanted to get married

but didn't like the initial outlay. The man came into the clerk's office and applied for a license. Mr. Sourbier made out all the necessary papers, took the man's affidavit as to the truth of the statements he had made, as to age, previous condition of servitude and the like and then stated | tracted a morganatic marriage with an en-

the price for the whole-\$2.50. "That's too high," said the man. "That's what we charge everybody," said the man behind the counter. "But it's too much, all right,"

"Too much? Why, look here, man, that's good for twenty-five years. That's only 10 cents a year. Here's the first installment. I'll pay it myself," and Sourbier reached into his pocket, pulled out a dime and threw it across the counter to the applicant. The man pocketed the dime, ceased his objection, paid the \$2.50 and walked away.
"I guess I made him ashamed of him-self," said Mr. Sourbier, when he related it

afterward. UNIONS BARRED FROM CITY DEPARTMENTS

Mayor Harrison, of Chicago, Says
Municipal Employes Must Have

Pittsburg Firemen Save Property

After Hard Fight

Piaced him to the police station, where, in spite of his millions, he was compelled to submit to sleeping all night on a hard iron bunk, Municipal Employes Must Have but One Master, the City.

CHICAGO, Dec. 14.-The invasion of the to-day firemen succeeded in subduing one municipal service by labor unions was to- of the most stubborn and dangerous fires day ordered brought to a halt by Mayor | the department has been called upon to han-

"In the mechanical branches of the city's is the only cause given for the fire which service," said the mayor, "where the em- was first discovered on the seventh floor of ploye is simply a workingman, it's all right | the Arrott Power building. The loss will for him to belong to a union, but where reach at least \$150,000, but is pretty well the man belongs to a department, like the covered by insurance. firemen or policemen, he has no right to The Alvin and Bijou Theaters are sepa-have a divided allegiance. He must owe rated in the rear from the Arrott buildings

stock to its employes at a figure thirty points higher than present quotations. In laboring man until he was willing to work at low wages. Without reaching a conclution of the mayor's sentiments along this line was occasioned by the receipt of an appeal from engineers of the fire departments, asking for increased wages.

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### NEW WAY TO LIBERTY OPENED FOR BOODLERS BY MISSOURI TRIBUNAL

Legality of All the Arrests Called in Question by Decision Regarding Bringing of Charges.

INFORMATION ON OATH

Not Permitted on Part of Prosecutors, as Has Been the Case Under the Amendment of 1900.

BOODLE CASES NOLLIED

New Charges to Be Filed on Oath of State's Witnesses-Widespread Effect of Ruling.

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 14 .- Notification of a decision of the Missouri Supreme Court, which brings into question the legality of hundreds of arrests and convictions recently made on informations in St. Louis, and which, according to Circuit Attorney Folk, opens the doors of the penitentiary through writs of habeas corpus to many others, was received here to-day by that official.

In the list of cases which, under the ruling of the court, could be affected if the plea of illegal arrest were raised, are the majority of the Suburban Railway fran-

It is stated by a well-known lawyer today that the statute of limitations in these cases expired last November and that if the present charges against the accused men should be found defective it would be imof the cases are before the Supreme

Court on appeal, and the records show that each case was tried on information furnished by the circuit attorney on his official oath. They follow: John H. Schnettler, bribery, Suburban franchise, four years. Jere J. Hannigan, bribery, Suburban fran-John A. Sheridan, bribery, Suburban franchise, five years. T. Edward Albright, bribery, Suburban franchise, five years.

Charles A. Gutke, bribery, Suburban fran-

Edmund Bersch, bribery, Suburban fran-

chise, five years.

Charles J. Denny, bribery, Suburban franchise, five years, Louis Becker, perjury, Suburban franchise investigation, four years. Harry A. Faulkner, perjury, Suburban franchise investigation, three years. Mr. Folke notified Judge McDonald of the criminal division of the Circuit Court, and proceedings were stopped in all cases affected. Nine cases were wiped off the docket, and the witnesses sent to the grand jury room, there to give information upon

which to base indictments to take the place

of the invalid informations.

The case against E. J. Arnold, charged with grand larceny, was one of those af-This case, which was called for Monday, will have to go over to the next term. Eight larceny, burglary and assault cases were similarly treated. The decision is that reversing the case of the State vs. William Bonner, which holds that an information issued by the circuit attorney's office must be sworn to by prosecuting witnesses in the case, and that circuit attorneys or prosecuting attorneys could only swear to information from personal knowledge of the facts. For two years under a former decision of the Supreme Court and under the constitutional amendment of 1900 and the act of 1901 prosecuting attorneys and circuit attorneys have been giving informations under their official oaths. In St. Louis alone, it is stated, fully 2,000 cases have

been tried on such information and convic-Other Hundreds of Cases.

JEFFERSON CITY, Mo., Dec. 14.-The decision of Judge Gantt of the Supreme Court that prosecutions on informations of prosecuting attorneys must be verified by several hundred cases in Jefferson City. Statutes were passed in 1901 prescribing the mode of procedure in such prosecutions, requiring them to be verified, but prosecuting officers, it is alleged, have overlooked

INJUNCTION LASTING.

Auditor Cannot Tax Banks' Capital Until Decision Is Reached. Judge Anderson yesterday handed down

REYES IS LIKELY TO ACCEPT PRESIDENCY a decree of perpetual injunction in the Federal Court in the suit brought by the seven National Banks of the city against WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.-If elected to the presidency of Colombia by the overwhelming majority which Bogota dis-

## SENSATIONAL RUMOR OF QUEEN MARGHARITA

Widow of King Humbert of Italy Edward Carroll Escapes, Is Caught Reported to Have Married a Young Engineer.

VIGOROUS DENIAL MADE GETS AWAY FROM GUARD ONLY ONE CLASS SAFE BOLOGNA, Italy, Dec. 14 .- A monarchical paper published here, which is considered to be generally well informed, says it

received news from a trustworthy source that the dowager Queen Margherita, during a recent journey to Norway, con-

gineer thirty years old. Report Denied at Rome.

ROME, Dec. 14.-The report telegraphed from Bologna that the Dowager Queen Margherita, during a recent journey to Norway, had contracted a morganatic marriage with an engineer thirty years old is authoritatively denied. The engineer to whom the queen mother

is alleged to have been married is named Tenerand. He is over fifty years old and is employed as caretaker of the numerous charitable institutions which are supported by the Queen.

SUBDUE DANGEROUS' FIRE

After Hard Fight.

PITTSBURG, Pa., Dec. 14.-After an exciting fight of four hours in the bitter cold dle for some time. Spontaneous combustion

allegiance to only one master, the city of only by a twenty-foot alley and while the fire was burning a matinee performance was in progress in the Bijou. A panic was



Force from the Prairie to Operate Too III to Move from Bed, She Is They Are Being Watched in Con-Left to Die by Her Demented Sister.

REPORT NOT CONFIRMED FORGOTTEN BY LUNATIC! FAMILY

COLON, Dec. 14.-A company of marines | Special to the Indianapolis Journal. from the United States cruiser Prairie was landed here this morning under the com- sell, aged sixty-five years, burned to death mand of Capt. Smedley D. Butler and im- at her home in Loogootee, fifteen miles it was stated that there were forty witmediately started by train for Panama. east of here, at 10 o'clock this morning. nesses yet to be examined, but some of The destination of the marines is said to She and her sister Mary, aged sixty, lived them may not be called. be Yaviza, up the San Miguel gulf and in an old log house, which took fire and was burning fiercely when Mary, who is de-It is believed that the decision of the naval mented, ran out of the house, leaving her person had made on her about a year ago.

> The demented woman did not speak of her have choked her until her face became sister being in the house after her own escape and before it became known that and blue bruise on Miss Gillespie's arm, the sick woman was yet confined in the The police have also discovered two farmburning builting it was too late to save her. The charred body, minus arms and legs, was taken out of the ruins.

> WOMAN KILLS HERSELF IN HORRIBLE MANNER | Ky., who insured Miss Gillespie's life for

Gasoline and Sets Them on Fire.

OXFORD, O., Dec. 14.-Miss Mary Kyger, most wealthy families in this county, to beginning of a long campaign of guerrilla warfare on the isthmus, for which kind of day committed suicide in the most painful manner. She saturated her clothing with gasoline, and then went out of the house and set herself on fire. Neighbors, who heard her screams, soon came to her re-lief, but she soon died. No cause is known.

Crow's Condition Critical. ST. LOUIS, Dec. 14.-The condition of Attorney General E. C. Crow, who is lying sick at the home of A. C. Steuver this city, is critical. His physician says he (CONTINUED ON PAGE 4, COL. 5.) | will be confined to his bed for several weeks.

#### WORTH NEARLY A MILLION; WAGES OF THOUSANDS BEHIND BARS AS INSANE TO BE CUT ON JAN.

United States Steel Corporation Wlil Cut Operating Expenses by Reducing Labor Item.

NEW YORK, Dec. 14.-The statement was made to-day by a leading official of the | coal operators was in session here to-day to United States Steel Corporation that, begin- discuss trade conditions generally. While ning Jan. 1, 1904, about 90 per cent. of the | those in attendance were extremely reticent employes of the corporation will suffer as to matters under consideration it was wage reductions ranging from 5 to 20 per learned that there is very likely to be a cut cent. This reduction will affect about 150,- in the selling price of coal, especially in 600 workmen in the various grades of the grades used by manufacturers. It is said olis and created a scene in the lobby of the subsidiary companies.

The remaining 10 per cent. of employes up, it is not probable that the operators are members of the Amalgamated Associa- will attempt to abrogate the agreement with tion of Iron. Steel and Tin Workers, whose the miners which expires in April next. wage schedule runs to July 1, 1904.

The finance committee of the Steel Corporation, it is understood, has under consideration the dismissal of many high-salaried employes in addition to those already discharged, but no statement on this point was forthcoming to-day. It was asserted that, barring some unforeseen technicalities, employes of the cor-poration who participated in the profit-sharing plan will in the coming month receive a \$5 dividend on the preferred stock to which they subscribed at \$82.50.

EMBEZZLER HEARD FROM

Wandering in Mind as Well as in Body.

HONOLULU, Dec. 14.-Ex-Agricultural Commissioner Wray Taylor, who was inably arrive in the city to-day to take him dicted last March for the alleged embezzleback to Louisville, where he will again be placed in the sanitarium for treatment. ment of \$800 of government money, has Carroll is one of the largest land owners been heard from. Taylor went to Califorin the South, his properties consisting, it is said, of nearly one hundred thousand acres and after visiting a number of agricultural CHICAGO, Dec. 14.—John H. Fisher, a grocer, sixty-five years old, dropped dead

> Bishop Restarick, of Hawaii, says that Taylor visited the bishop while the latter was in New York. Taylor said that he had been home to England, but could not recall making the trip. His mind was a blank from the time he was in San Francisco until he was with relatives in England.

A letter just received from Episcopal

# Great Rejoicing in the Republican Ranks. FOUR PERSONS UNDER

POLICE SUPERVISION

nection with Developments in the Rising Sun Tragedy.

RISING SUN, Ind., Dec. 14.-When the WASHINGTON, Ind., Dec. 14.-Lizzie Cis- grand jury to-day resumed its investigation

Miss Clore, the latter a neighbor.

CUT IN THE SELLING

they suspecting a person who is entirely

the Operators' Conference Now

in Session in Cleveland.

It was stated this evening that no im-

KILLED BY FATHER.

Shot His Baby.

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 14.-Ellsworth Tendick,

the seven-months-old child of Mr. and Mrs.

Louis A. Tendick, died to-day from a wound

in the head, accidentally fired from a re-

The father had taken umbrage at a re-

mark made by Harry Sterling, a young

shoot him, although Sterling said no of-

fense was meant. A scuffle for the revolver

volver in its father's hands.

Vincent Williamson stated that Miss Gillespie told him of two assaults a certain authorities to station marines at Yaviza sister, who was sick, in bed to the mercy | This person is alleged to have struck Miss Gillespie with a mop handle and also to blue. Williamson said he saw the black ers near Rising Sun who testify that the day before Miss Gillespie was shot they heard two men, who are now being watched, making threats to end her life. An insurance man named Trouts, of Newport, \$2,000, is being looked for, as he is said to Mary Kyger Saturates Clothes in be acquainted with the facts of the Gillesple family quarrel. Trouts moved to Tolledo and afterwards to Detroit. gramme is to get himself elected as one of The police believe that four people here had knowledge of what might happen, one being a woman, and she is the one instigat-ing the deed and nerving the assassin to the

final act. The conspiracy theory is that the assassin attempted the murder several times; also that his heart failed him when he approached the victim, but that he was spurred on until Elizabeth was finally shot. indorsement of his State. It is said that the dead woman recently Fleming dropped a hint of his plan last made statements which reflected on one of evening when he explained his action in the remote members of the family, when she mortally offended those involved in the Taggart. "I took that position simply

refusing to vote for the resolution indorsing charges, and also estranged other nearer cause I did not want to be tied up on any relatives and thus intensified the ill-feeling proposition," he said. "I may be a delegate to the national convention and want my Among the other witnesses who testified before the grand jury to-day were Mrs. Belle Campbell and Mrs. Mary Boyle, cousins of the victim, Mrs. Barbour and

not take it as an attack on himself. His friends, however, were not a little worried An anonymous letter mailed from Indianover the affair. Every effort was made to apolis was received by Marshal Overy to- keep the matter secret, but it was so senday, in which the writer says that the au- sational that it leaked out quickly. ATTACK ON APPORTIONMENT

thorities are working on the wrong clew, nocent. The writer declares that he is the only one who knows who fired the fatal It is now probable that the grand jury will finish its examination Wednesday. PRICE OF SOFT COAL reached by the Supreme Court before the election next November and pending a final decision, if the Republicans proceed under the apportionment the Democrats will bring suits enjoining the election of a sufficient number of Republican candidates to insure them control of the Legislature pending a decision of all the literation Likely to Be Made as the Result of

> publicans should elect 166 of the members of the next General Assembly under the new apportionment, and on this basis it would be necessary for the Democrats to make a gain of thirty-one members to gain control. They hope to do this by electing some of their candidates in districts normally Republican and by enjoining the election of a number of Republican candidates. The state committee voted to place the fight on the apportionment act in the hands of a committee composed of Chairman O'Brien, J. G. McNutt, of Terre Haute; Dan W. Simms, of Lafayette; Lincoln Dixon, of North Vernon, and F. Fred France, of Huntington. This committee decided to place the matter in the hands of the following attorneys: Former Attorney General A. G. Smith, John W. Kern, Michael Ryan, Judge Theodore Davis, S. M. Ralston, of Lebanon, and Maj. G. V. Mengles, of Mt. Vernon. These attorneys will decide when and in what circuits to institute the proceedings. Mr. Smith said last evening that the attorneys would hold a consultation within a few days and make their plans, and that the suits would be brought within thirty days at the outside It is understood that the Democrats have resurrected two of the complaints filed by the Republicans in attacking the De cratic apportionment in 1892 and will make

The State committee voted that the district conventions for the election of mem-bers of the State committee shall be held Dec. 31 in all the districts except the Second, Seventh, Ninth, Tenth and Twelfth and that the district chairmen should se the time for the conventions in these five. As finally agreed upon the calls for the conventions will be issued as follows: First-Dec. 31 at Mt. Vernon; Second Jan. 5 at Vincennes; Third, Dec. 31 at New Albany; Fourth, Dec. 31 at North Vernon; Pifth, Dec. 31 at Terre Haute; Sixth, Dec. 31 at Rushville; Seventh, on or before Jan. officials, was not heard of again. An inquiry disclosed that he had dissapeared and ther and several others are under arrest, that he was short in his accounts as agricultural commissioner. His indictment fol-31 at Peru; Twelfth, Jan. 2 at Columbia City; Thirteenth, Dec. 31 at Plymouth, The following members of the State con

THE TAGGART FACTION Fort Wayne Senator Causes Sensation and Flatly Refuses to Indorse Leader.

RENEW FIGHT AGAINST

HATCHET IS NOT BURIED

FLEMING AND FRIENDS

Will Make Fight Against Latter in His Race for National Chairman of Party.

ASSAIL APPORTIONMENT

District Convention Dates Set-Jackson Day Celebration Is Called Off.

The meeting of the Democratic State committee and attendant gathering of party stalwarts yesterday at the Grand Hotel developed two important facts: First, that all is not peace and harmony within the party ranks, and that Stephen B. Fleming, district chairman from the Twelfth, will not bury the hatchet and make peace with Thomas Taggart; second, that the Democrats have hatched a clever scheme for their attack on the legislative apportionment act, by which they expect to embarrass and harrass the Republicans, and hope to bring about a state of affairs whereby the Republicans cannot control the next General Assembly, even if a majority of the members elected are Republicans.

The Fieming-Taggart feud came to the surface during the morning session of the State committee. After disposing of some dorsing Thomas Taggart as a candidate for the chairmanship of the Democratic national committee. It was expected that the resolution would go through with a whoop and a hurrah. Several speeches were made, in which bouquets were showered on the

and not a word of dissent was heard. Then the resolution was put to a vote. and, to the amazement of every other member present, Committeeman Fleming, of Fort Wayne, fiatly declined to vote for the resolution. Under pressure Fleming yielded a point and did not go on record against the resolution, but asked that he be permitted to reserve his vote, stating that he did not wish to put himself in an embarrassing po-

The alacrity with which his request we granted indicated an overwhelming de on the part of the other members to avoi the appearance of dissension in the ranks. It is against precedent in all such bodies for a member to refuse to vote either in the affirmative or negative upon a proposition which comes before the organization, but precedent was walved by the Demo-

HATCHET NOT BURIED. The attitude of the Fort Wayne man indicates that the scars left by his defeat for the state chairmanship two years ago have not healed, and that another bitter fight may be precipitated at the reorganization of the committee next month. Two years ago Fleming was a candidate for state chairman, and was backed by the "Big Four," consisting of the late S. E. Morss, of this city, James Murdock, of Lafayette, Hugh Dougherty, of Bluffton, and Maj. G. V. Menzies, of Mt. Vernon. A strong effort was made to get the support of Taggart, but he was for Joseph T. Fanning, of Iu-dianapolis, and in the end succeeded in defeating Fleming, although he found it necessary to bring out W. H. O'Brien,

Fleming, it seems, cannot forget the blow Taggart gave him on that occasion. He is known among politicians as a "good hater," as well as a strong friend, and it is evident that he is carrying a long, sharp knife for

the Indiana delegates to the Democratic national convention and in that position work to defeat Taggart for re-election as he can do that Taggart's chances for the national chairmanship will go glimmering, for he cannot hope for such preferment un less he has the unanimous and unqualified

Taggart declined to discuss the attitude of

.The scheme for the attack on the legislative apportionment act is this: Suits will be brought attacking the act in a number of legislative districts, which all together would elect at least thirty-one Republican members of the Legislature. It is not believed that the cases can be pushed through the lower courts, appealed and a decision

decision of all the litigation. Figuring on the vote cast in 1902 the Re-CLEVELAND, Dec. 14 .- A meeting of soft that while the wage question will be taken There is a very general sentiment, however, toward a reduction in the scale to be decided on at the joint meeting of operators and portant action was taken at to-day's gathering and that the work done was entirely informal and preliminary to to-morrow's St. Louisian in Scuffle Accidentally

their complaints for the most part duplicates of them. resulted in its discharge and the shooting mittee were present at the meeting; Second, G. H. Hendren, of Bloomfield; Fourth, Lincoln Dixon, of North Vernon; Fifth, J. G. McNutt, of Terre Haute; Sixth, J. D. McGee, of Rushville; Seventh, Joseph T. Fanning, of Indianapolis; Eighth, J. A.

Wisconsin Bank Reopened. PRINCETON, Wis., Dec. 14.-The Princeton State Bank, which was closed Oct. 20 through the alleged embezzlement by Cashier J. E. Leimer of about \$60,000 of the bank's funds, was reopened to-day, the stockholders having raised the \$50,000 required by the State bank examiner.